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REMARKS

The Office Action of 11/07/2006 has been carefully considered. Reconsideration in view of the foregoing amendments and the present remarks is respectfully requested.

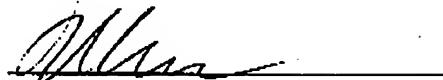
Claims 9 and 12 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter, which indication is appreciatively acknowledged.

Claims 1-8 and 11 were rejected as being unpatentable over Bradley in view of Hickernell. Claim 1 has been amended to more clearly distinguish over the cited reference. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

In particular, claim 1 has been amended to recite the distinguishing features of claim 12, indicated as allowable. Claim 1 and its dependent claims are therefore believed to also be allowable.

Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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